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In re application of: Michael Gremer et al

Serial No.: 09 664,465

GROUP ART UNIT: 1761

Filed: September 18, 2000

EXAMINER: G. Yeung

For: **"A METHOD OF CONTROLLING A COOKING PROCESS AND A COOKING PROCESS
SENSOR FOR USE WITH THE METHOD"**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
		(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
	TOTAL CLAIMS	*30	MINUS	**30	X	() X 9.00 () X 18.00	
	INDEP. CLAIMS	*4	MINUS	**4	X	() X 39.00 () X 84.00	
	Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$130.00 () \$260.00 ONE TIME	
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☐ A check for \$ _____ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached.

☐ A check for \$ _____ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT "A"

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In response to the Office Action of December 19, 2001, the following is submitted:

REMARKS

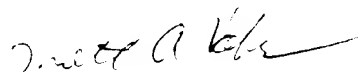
In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the method claims 1-22 and 29 of Group I. However, this election is with traverse for the following reasons.

A search of the cooking process sensor of claims 23-28 and 30 is important also for a search of the method of claims 1-22 and 29. Note the similarity between the apparatus claim and the method claims wherein the apparatus claim 23 for example recites a tip equipped with at least two sensors and method claim 1 for example recites the step of controlling the cooking process in response to at least two temperature values and wherein dependent claim 8, for example, recites differential temperature values between sensors arranged spaced apart. Thus, clearly a search of the apparatus claim 23 also is useful prior art for a search of the method

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claims such as claims 1 and 8. Reconsideration is therefore respectfully requested on the restriction requirement.

Respectfully submitted,



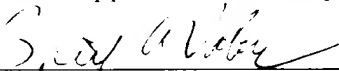
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